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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
March 10, 2010
UC 330/331 - 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 19, 2010

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. Mountainside Chat:

1. Roy Houseman, City Councilor

b. Non-discrimination statement of support

c. Presidential search update

d. Recap of "Walk-a-Mile in Her Shoes"

e. Board of Regents recap

f. Elections

g. Event:

1. "Tongue of a Bird" - 7:30 p.m.; March 16 - 20 and 23 - 27, in the Masquer Theatre.

h. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. Committee Appointments/Removals

b. KBGA

c. Office Hours

d. Montana Association of Students survey

e. Students First

f. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$14,875.00

STIP - \$214,307.84

TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$806.72

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$164,209.43

- a. Chinese Student Association Special Allocation request - \$855.00/\$105.00
- b. Cutbank Literary Magazine Special Allocation request - \$4000.00/\$3000.00
- c. Griz for UNICEF Special Allocation request - \$98.80/\$32.00

d. Italian Club Special Allocation request - \$422.40/275.60

e. On The Two Special Allocation request - \$307.80/\$90.00

f. Persian Student Association Special Allocation request -
\$1000.00/350.00

g. Students for Choice Special Allocation request -
\$1374.00/\$250.00

h. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. SB20-09/10 - Resolution Regarding WWAMI Program

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
Wednesday, March 10, 2010
UC 330/331 - 6 p.m.

Chair May called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: President Fennell, Vice President May, Business Manager Armstrong; and Senators Barhaugh, Berry, Boeey, Carson (6:11), Davis, Dusek, Guilhemotonia, Hanson, James, Jokisch, Kilts (6:05), Mariani, Rhea, Rose, Selph, Smartt, Stovall, Wilke and Williams. Excused: Senator Summers.

The minutes from the February 19, 2010 meeting were approved.

The Senate sang "Happy Birthday" to Senate advisor, Professor Garon Smith.

Public Comment

- o Treva Bittinger, President of the Neuro-Networking Club, thanked the Senate for its support. The club's next big program will be the Spring Hullabaloo, April 13, an event for all children, but especially for children with autism.
- o Colleen Hybner is working on the University Center's (UC) update of the Student Involvement Guide and encouraged input from the Senate.
- o Andrew Williams, of Students for MontPIRG (SMPIRG), provided a review of the group's history and mission. The group has collected more than 2500 petition signatures in support of reinstituting a student MontPIRG fee.
- o Liz Corrigan, secretary of the Psychology Club, spoke in support of SMPIRG.
- o Lewis Kelly, chair of the ASUM Transportation Board, described SMPIRG's support of the board and the group's work on transportation issues.
- o Zach Porter, President of UM Climate Action Now!, spoke in support of SMPIRG and the advantages of reinstating the group's student fee.
- o Daniel Viehland addressed the value of SMPIRG, having formerly served as an intern for the state MontPIRG.
- o Dr. Doug Coffin, Professor in the Department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences and Vice President of the University Faculty Association, belonged to NYPIRG during his time as a college student and shared how similar issues faced in the past relate to the issues SMPIRG currently addresses.

- o Garon Smith, Professor of Chemistry, talked about how SMPIRG is good at involving students and working on issues of importance to students, such as making college affordable. This is an example of the many SMPIRG projects which serve the good of all students.
- o Jared Trilling, Board Chair of SMPIRG, distributed copies of the "MontPIRG Concept Plan" to the Senate.
- o Neil Bennett, SMPIRG intern, handed out a flyer inviting Senators to meet members of the national U.S.PIRG staff in an upcoming conference call.

The chair recognized the presence of Senators Carson and Kilts.

- o Josh Peters-McBride, Program Advisor for the UC, provided an update on events taking place in the UC, including a movie this weekend and the International Culture and Food Festival from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 14.

President's Report

- a. Mountainside Chat:
 - 1. Roy Housman, Missoula City Council Representative of Ward 2, is the only full-time student on City Council. He wants to be a resource to the ASUM Senate since the City Council regularly addresses issues that impact students. City Council meets most Mondays at 7 p.m.
- b. The Montana Human Rights Network is compiling a list of organizations that publicly support a statement calling for the passage of a non-discrimination ordinance for all members of the lesbian, gay, bi and transgender (LGBT) community of Missoula. (Exhibit A) President Fennell endorsed the statement on behalf of the Senate. The University of Montana has endorsed the same effort in a memo sent to Mayor Engen. (Exhibit B)
- c. President Fennell commended the senators who participated in "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes." He spoke to the significance of the event and how important it is for men to be involved.
- d. Five senators, President Fennell and Vice President May attended the Montana Association of Students (MAS) and Board of Regents (BOR) meetings last week in Dillon. MAS chose three candidates to recommend to Governor Schweitzer for the position of Student Regent and Vice President Emily May was one of them. A major item on the agenda for the BOR was a pay increase for President Dennison. The increase passed. The annual salaries of the both The

- University of Montana (UM) and Montana State University Presidents are now the same. President Fennell, in a "respectful and reserved way," would like to see the extra \$34,000 President Dennison will earn between now and when he retires in August, put back into The UM.
- e. President Fennell yielded the floor to Senator Rhea who spoke about a March 16 visit to The UM campus from representatives of the newly formed coalition of environmental groups, Montana Environmental Student Alliance (MESA). The MESA representatives will be meeting with ASUM President Fennell, UM Vice President for Administration and Finance, Bob Durringer, and members of various groups from campus about the establishment of MESA on The UM campus.
 - f. Elections are coming up soon, and President Fennell, Vice President May and Business Manager Armstrong are all available to answer questions from potential candidates. The chair of the Elections Committee, Senator Selph, has submitted a resolution to amend By-Laws in order to allow time needed for candidate petition verification.
 - g. Event:
 - 1. Performances of the play, "Tongue of a Bird," begin next week in the Masquer Theater.
 - h. Project proposals for submission to the Revolving Energy Loan Fund Committee are due April 9, by 3 p.m. Application guidelines are available on the Greening UM website.

Vice President's Report

- a. Committee Appointments/Removals - **Rose-Berry** moved to approve all the committee appointments and removals as a slate. (Exhibit C) The motion passed unanimously.
- b. Senator Selph will speak on behalf of ASUM during the KBGA radio Thursday morning program.
- c. A new signup sheet for senator office hours was passed around.
- d. Vice President May passed around a signup sheet for senators interested in being on a committee to work on the MAS survey of UM students.
- e. Vice President May encouraged the Senate to make progress on the Students First campaign. The campaign needs direction and a mission statement. The next meeting of the Students First committee is March 12, at noon in the ASUM office. Vice President May provided senators with original copies of Students First posters, brochures and

stickers (Exhibits D, E and F); and encouraged questions and comments from the Senate.

- f. Vice President May reminded senators to maintain confidentiality and be respectful when they are privy to sensitive information which should not be shared.

Business Manager's Report

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$14,875.00

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- a. The Cutbank Literary Magazine Special Allocation request for \$4000.00, and recommended by Budget and Finance (B&F) for \$3000.00, passed following the end of discussion.
- b. **Berry-Davis** moved to add \$24.40 to line 623 of B&F's recommendation for the Italian Club's Special Allocation request. **Davis-Guilhemotonia** moved to amend the amendment and increase line 623 to a total of \$76.80. Division was called and the motion was defeated 9 - 12 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) The original amendment was defeated on a voice vote. The B&F recommendation of \$275.60 passed unanimously following the end of discussion.
- c. **Rhea-Wilke** moved to increase line 623 for a total of \$76.80 of the B&F recommendation for the Special Allocation request submitted by Students for Choice. The motion passed following the end of discussion. The revised recommendation of \$326.80 passed on a voice vote.
- d. **Selph-Hanson** moved to consider the remaining recommendations for Special Allocations as a slate. The motion passed on a voice vote awarding the following Special Allocations: The Chinese Student Association - \$105.00; Griz for UNICEF - \$32.00; On The Two UM Partner Dance Club - \$90.00; and Persian Student Association - \$350.00.
- e. Business Manager Armstrong thanked the senators for their conduct during Final Budgeting. As a result, the session went quickly and well. The next B&F meeting is scheduled for March 14 at 7 p.m.

Committee Reports

- a. Relations and Affairs (Dusek) - The committee unanimously recommends passage of SB20-09/10.

- b. Elections (Selph) - Candidate petitions can be picked up starting March 15 and will be due March 24, if the Senate passes the recommended change to the By-Laws. (see page 5, SB22-09/10)
- c. Recycling Oversight (Fennell) - The committee will be meeting next March 12.
- d. Accreditation (Williams) - The committee has released a 250 page report which is available in the ASUM office.
- e. Transportation (Rhea) - The Office of Transportation will be sending two staff members to California to inspect two buses which are for sale. The board will meet March 15, to decide on the purchase of the buses and Senator Rhea will report the decision at the next Senate meeting, March 17. Senator Rhea also welcomed Senator James as a new member of the board.
- f. Child Care (Rhea) - The committee will be building playground shelters on Volunteer Day in April. Senators are to let Senators Rhea or Boeey know if they are interested in participating.

Unfinished Business

- a. **Rose-Dusek** moved to take up SB20-09/10. The resolution passed unanimously following the end of discussion. (Exhibit D)
- b. **Selph-Fennell** moved to suspend House Rules in order to consider SB21-09/10 and SB22-09/10. The motion was approved unanimously.
- c. **William-Dusek** moved to take up SB21-09/10. The resolution passed unanimously following the end of discussion. (Exhibit E)
- d. **William-Stovall** moved to take up SB22-09/10. The resolution passed unanimously following the end of discussion. (Exhibit F)

New Business

- a. Resolution regarding student groups
- b. Resolution regarding gas cards
- c. Resolution regarding transportation fee
- d. Resolution regarding student teaching fees
- e. Resolution regarding Juried Student Art Show
- f. Resolution amending By-Laws

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Phoebe Hunter

ASUM Office Manager